

Proposed Amendment to SB 145 *Revise Wildfire Protection Laws*

(7) *The department shall have the authority to appoint state or federal employees as firewardens in the number and localities that it considers necessary for meeting department firefighting responsibilities (delete: SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION BY THE LOCAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT), and shall adopt rules prescribing the qualifications and duties of firewardens designated by the department that are in addition to those provided in [section 7]. Local county government shall retain sole authority for designation and appointment of county fire chiefs or firewardens. "*

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